

Arizona Sentinel.

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Our Railroad Prospects.

Private letters received in San Diego from Washington, dated March 29th, from prominent men there, say that Mr. Scott is emphatically in favor of beginning the great work of constructing the Texas Pacific Railroad at this point. A dispatch from Mr. Horton, who is now in Washington, looking to the interest of San Diego, dated April 11th, goes to show that the extension of time demanded by the Company will not be granted, and says that work will be commenced immediately. The great motive of Mr. Scott for commencing operations at this particular place is evident to all acquainted with the shipping facilities of this port. The Company is determined to complete this route as early as possible, and this is the only point on the line that affords the advantage of constructing the road in opposite directions to its final ends.

The necessity of securing to the people a railroad communication between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans—one that will be open to travel at all seasons—has become a national necessity. The action of Congress, in its liberal policy, granting to the Union and Central Pacific Railroad Companies vast subsidies of lands and moneys, might have been excused, had this road proved a success, but practical demonstrations have satisfied the people that it is merely a summer route.

The necessity for opening a channel for the carrying trade of the Pacific coast, demands that Congress shall not stand gazing at variances—looking idly on till the commerce is driven from its natural channel to seek an outlet in other directions. The representatives of the people should not bend to the wishes or influences of corporations or individuals when the interest of the nation is at stake. There is no further compromise in this matter of the Texas Pacific Railroad; keep the Company strictly to the conditions of their charter—to complete the line within ten years. The necessity for this route is great, and is rapidly on the increase. We cannot afford to extend the time. If

this Company cannot complete the line within the limited time, there are others who can. Our commerce is in jeopardy, and the United States cannot allow it to go as our shipping trade did.

In Arizona we are on the outer edge of civilization, face to face with the most implacable and unrelenting savages—the treacherous and cowardly Apaches; cowardly because of the frequent murders of tender mothers and innocent babes committed by these fiends. For years the people of our Territory have been longing for the time to come when it would be safe to prospect the country and open to the world one of the richest mineral countries on the globe; they appealed to the Government for protection, time and time again, and the world knows with what result. The hope of Arizona now lies on the railroad. Give us the railroad, and emigration will naturally take its course in our direction, the attention of the world will be turned to our mines, and, together with the shrill whistle of the locomotive through our mountains, will at least have a tendency to cause the wild savages and the Government Peace Commissioners to seek employment elsewhere.

We are delighted with the conduct of the Representatives of the Pacific coast in opposing the extension of time asked for, and to our worthy Delegate, R. C. McCormack, who is never absent from his post, doing battle and scattering to the winds the garbage heaped on the bleeding wounds of his constituency, the hardy sons of Arizona are particularly indebted.

The New Route of the Southern Pacific of California.

A Washington special of the 6th inst. says: Cole yesterday introduced a bill authorizing the Southern Pacific Railroad Company of California to contract, instead of its line of road situated north of Kern river, the following roads: One railroad connecting with completed portion of its road via Pajaro and Salinas valleys and Pololo Pass; the intersection with the original line between Kern River and Tulare Lake; also a railroad connecting with the San Joaquin Valley Railroad at Visalia; thence on the original line of the Southern Pacific, as near as practicable to the point of junction aforesaid, twenty miles a year to be constructed on each road. The Company is to hold the lands already granted on the original line, but to receive none additional.

Suicide by Starvation.

Bradley Grant, aged 42 years, a wealthy farmer, who lived three miles west of this city, says the New York Sun, died yesterday. He had deliberately starved himself to death, and no motive can be assigned for the suicidal act. During all this interval he had not taken three ounces of any kind of food. On January 10, the first day of his long death fast, he eat part of an egg beaten up with a little milk. Of this he only sipped two teaspoonfuls. His next meal was taken fifteen days afterwards, and consisted of half a cup of tea and a piece of toast about the size of a man's three fingers. Then he went without food for twenty days. His last meal consisted of one ounce of toast, which he was induced to swallow on the 15th inst. A few days before he died, two teaspoonfuls of brandy and water were forced down his throat. This sums up all the food that passed into his stomach during the six weeks. His wife and family have watched him night and day to see if he would not visit the pantry in their absence and eat something. But he never went, and the food was never disturbed. It is believed that Mr. Grant was suffering from mental derangement superinduced by overwork. He was never known to have had any family difficulty. The farm buildings were all in excellent condition, and the farm well stocked. He leaves a wife and a three-months old child. His body was reduced to a skeleton.

A Sad Scene.

For a man to become a lover of liquor and yield to his desire is a great evil, but when a woman so far forgets her sex and the high moral standing she should occupy, and stoop to strong drink, it is terrible indeed. Yesterday, in the City Prison, we witnessed a sight which, although of frequent occurrence in that place, never struck us as forcibly before. Four officers carried in a woman who was in a state of beastly intoxication, and who, when laid on the hard asphaltum pavement, was unable to move. She could not have been more than twenty-three or twenty-four years of age, and as she lay there, a picture of the most abject wretchedness and disgrace, the question was involuntarily asked, what has caused so great a degradation? Was she once a pure, good and innocent girl; now an outcast, and thus driven to drink to drown the thoughts of the past, or had she been lowered in life and debased in nature from a diseased appetite for intoxication?—[S. F. paper.]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

All persons holding allowed claims against the estate of John Kilbride, deceased, will receive 40 per cent. of the amount of same on application to the undersigned.
C. W. C. ROWELL,
ap20 3t for administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the matter of the estate of Frederick Regli, deceased.
Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the above named estate, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against said deceased, to exhibit the same, with the necessary vouchers, within one year from the first publication of this notice, to the undersigned, at his office in the town of Arizona City, Yuma County, A. T., or they will be barred by statute.

A. A. MIN,
Pub. Admr. Yuma County.
Dated April 17th, 1872. 6t

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TONSorial SALOON

JAMES HOWARD, the barber, be leave to announce that he has just opened a new Barber's Shop, 614 Gila street, above the Colorado Hotel. A first-class Bath Room is attached to this establishment, where warm and cold baths can be had at all times. The following rates have been adopted:

Bath.....	\$1 00
Hair Cutting.....	50
Shampooing.....	50
Shaving.....	25
Boat Blacked.....	25

ap6 JAMES HOWARD, prop'r.

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